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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, American Depositary Shares, Series R (Each representing Noncumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series R) and Non-cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series R (application for the Non-cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series R is made for listing, not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares pursuant to the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received December 22, 2006. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

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